

A.—SRI VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) December 1964.

(b) From the end of July 1966.

(c) The work was stopped till February 1967 for want of bearings to the bridge. After that the contractor has not started the work.

Amount spent on Pesticides.

403. SRI N. A. CHANNE GOWDA (Pandavapura).—

Will the Minister for Agriculture and Education be pleased to state :—

(a) the amount spent by Government on pesticides to control plant and crop diseases annually ;

(b) the amount so spent in Mandya District ;

A.—SRI K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture and Education).—

(a) Rs. 64,90,222-00 (For 1967-68).

(b) Rs. 2,16,150-20 (For 1967-68).

Karnatak Wood Distillation Factory, Londa.

406. SRI N. B. SIRDESAI (Khanapur).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(a) the terms and conditions on which the Government have supplied wood to the 'Karnatak Wood Distillation Factory at Londa' Khanapur Taluk, Belgaum District ;

(b) the quantity of Tar distilled and supplied to the Government up-to-date, yearwise ;

(c) whether Agency to whom the Government have sanctioned wood at the concessional rates, paid the cost of the wood regularly and as per the rules ;

(d) whether it is a fact that during last year the Forest Department recovered the cost of the wood supplied to them by auctioning the same stock ;

(e) the present stock of the wood with them and why Government is supplying wood again to such concerns ;

(f) the arrears due to Government from this factory ?